



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon- 4th February 2018

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Dear Parishioner, In the Gospel we see where Jesus goes off to a desert place to pray. After a hectic day he felt the need for quiet to ground himself once more. In the busyness of life how do you keep in touch with what is going on inside yourself? How do you keep in touch with God? Where do you find your 'deserted place'? What difference does it make for you when you do succeed in taking time out?

Offertory Collection: last Sunday's collection was €888-many thanks for your generosity

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 10th/11th Feb:

Readers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
6:30pm Marie Claire Hayes	John Favier/Paudie Sweeney
Servers: Sean Ryan, Sarah Ryan, Bonnie Rose Crowe, James Collins, Avril Crowe	
9:30am Damian Richardson	Catherine Crowe/Mary MacLeod
11am John O'Brien	Marian Murphy/Noreen O'Dwyer
Servers: Orla & Cathal Hayes, Sean Og & Denis Blackmore, Caoimhe Murphy	

Anniversaries: 3rd/4th Feb:

6:30pm Deceased members of the Hennessy Family, Kilkenny.
9:30am People of the Parish.

11am Mary Edmund & Mick Harding, Coolnamona.
Matthew Treacy.
Bridget (Bridie) Ryan, Lisowen.
Mai & Ger Bray, Cliggin & Toher Rd.
Teresa Moloney, Kilmoylan & London – Months Mind.

10th/11th Feb:

Kathleen Ryan, Croughmakeen-2nd Anniv.
Jack Meagher, Glasha Talan-Months Mind.
Fr. Sean Sweeney-10th Anniv. & his parents Paddy & Annie.
Jimmy Ryan, Toomaline Lower & his son
Thomas, Assumption Terrace.

Recently Deceased: Pray for Mrs. Joan Walsh, Newport-Grandmother to Mr. Derek Walsh, Doon Convent NS. May she rest in peace. Sympathy to the bereaved.

Masses this coming week: No Mass on Friday morning.

Dates: Confirmation Day- Tue. 10th April. First Holy Communion Day Sun. 6th May.

Doon Community Council: will host the play 'Murder Inn' tonight (Sat. 3rd) at 8pm. Tickets available at the door. All are welcome

Mens Shed: meeting every Tue. night @ 8pm in the Convent. All are welcome.

Doon ICA: invites all ladies to join Gym class at Joey's Fitness Facility on Tue. night's @ 8:30pm. All welcome, this class is not confined to ICA members.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: continues in our Parish Church every Wed. from 10am until 10 pm. Would you consider committing one hour a week to the Lord! If you cannot commit weekly, would you act as a substitute when we could call on you from time to time?

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Sept. 5th-12th, departing from Shannon half board accommodation €719, €50 discount for deposits received before 1st Feb.

Cashel & Emly Lourdes Pilgrimage: 16th-21st June 2018. Booking forms available in the sacristy. Flight from Shannon to Lourdes & full board for 5 nights. Cost €715 per person. Assisted pilgrim section contact Fr. Joe Tynan PP Kiltelly on (061) 384213 after the 18th Feb. **Cashel & Emly Lourdes Pilgrimage Youth Group:** One position available for a parish representative. If anyone from the parish **who must be in 5th Year** would like to put their name forward please let Fr. Jimmy know in the coming week. If there is more than one person a draw will take place at 6:30 Mass On the 17th of Feb.

Date for your Diary: Sun. 13th May - Feast of Our Lady of Fatima rosary rally for the protection of little babies in the womb at 6 O'clock, rosary continues ever Sun. @ 10:40am before Mass.

Doon CBS Primary School: The school is now accepting applications for the 2018/2019 school year. Application forms are available from the school. **Cash for Clobber:** Bags of clothes, shoes etc can be left in the school shed, until the end of Feb.

Doon Study Hub: open every Tue. from 4pm to 8pm, Wed. 3:30pm to 7:30pm, Thur. 3:30pm to 7:30pm. Sat. from 10am to 2pm and from 2:30pm to 6:30pm.

Operation Transformation & Doon GAA: Reminder again, this Mon. night the GAA field will be lit up from 7-9pm for "Ireland lights up with the GAA". To date 244 people have participated in this initiative. There has been 5,000 people in total in GAA pitches all over the country on the last 2 Mon. nights. Everybody welcome again this week. New comers are encouraged to come along and enjoy the atmosphere. Please remember to sign in the clubhouse.

Doon GAA: Lotto No's drawn 4-17-21-25, no winner. Next week's jackpot is €3,800. Membership 2018: Adult Players: €50. Adult Non-Players & OAPs: €30. Juveniles/u18: €20, monies can be paid to Registrar, Patricia Murphy/Rob O'Connell. Doon GAA are hosting a talk by **Peter Ryan of Upperchurch** in the Community Centre on Thur. 15th Feb. @ 7:30pm. Peter was a skilful hurler, loved his sport & was achieving great success with Club, School and County. Peter was part of the 2008 Tipperary minor team. Six years ago Peter was diagnosed with Leber's Hereditary Optic Neuropathy & within 1 year he had lost 90% of his vision. Hurling, his car & his job all became things of the past. Peter will tell the story of very dark days. With strength, resilience & courage Peter today looks back on the last 4 years of his life & believes they have been his best years. Now an elite athlete Peter is a Paralympian, training six days a week for his next goal which is to win a world championship medal next year in cycling. Peter will tell a story of love, courage, reliance and amazing strength. All welcome.

Preparation for the World Meeting of Families: Training for those who would like to help out with the facilitation of the World Meeting of Families Amoris Parish Conversations Programme will take place in Ballykisteen Hotel on Tue. 13th Feb. @ 7pm. Please book your place with Fr. Jimmy.

Milford Care Centre & Anam Cara: the national organisation that provides support services to bereaved parents & families, are hosting a Bereavement Information Evening in Limerick. This event gives parents an opportunity to hear an experienced bereavement professional talk about the many challenges their family may face after the death of a son or daughter. Please note this event is open to all bereaved parents, regardless of the age of their child or the circumstances of their death. There will also be time after the talk to interact with other bereaved parents. Venue: Milford Care Centre, Castletroy, Limerick. Date: Tue. 15th Feb. Time: 7-9pm (Registration from 6:45pm)